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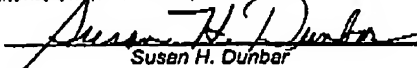
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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and
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AND ALL OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF
THIS APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

Respectfully submitted,



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